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Our Case No. 10210/10

## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: )  
Toshio Mikiya, et al. )  
Serial No. 10/808,067 ) Examiner: Dunwoody, Aaron M.  
Filing Date: March 24, 2004 ) Group Art Unit No. 3679  
For: PIPE COUPLER )  
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## RESPONSE TO NON-FINAL OFFICE ACTION DATED NOVEMBER 28, 2005

Mail Stop Amendment  
Commissioner for Patents  
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Dear Sir:

In reply to the Office Action dated November 28, 2005, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

**Amendments to the Specification** begin on page 2 of this paper.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims that begins on page 3 of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on page 9 of this paper.